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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Takahiro YAGUCHI and Seishi EYA  
DEVICE FOR ESTIMATING NUMBER OF BOARD LAYERS  
CONSTITUTING BOARD, SYSTEM INCLUDING THE DEVICE, AND  
METHOD FOR ESTIMATING THE SAME AND PROGRAM FOR  
EXECUTING THE METHOD  
**Assignee: NEC INFORMATEC SYSTEMS, LTD.**  
Our Ref. Q79930

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 39 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 6 sheets of drawings, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) with 2 references.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	16	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	
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<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>	<b>\$856.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>	<b>\$896.00</b>

Please charge the statutory filing fee of \$856.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-038419	February 17, 2003

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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